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from the EDITOR'S CHAIR

KID PARET & NUCLEAR WAR

The public outrage over the boxing death of Kid Paret has died down already, despite the fact that millions saw it on TV.

There is an inescapable parallel between this and the wave of pacifism which swept over the nation when we were in danger of being dragged into a nuclear war over Berlin.

This has died down, too.

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DOES THE PUBLIC CARE?

Many people have noticed that it often takes a tragedy or a near-tragedy to bring about a reform. And even then sometimes nothing happens.

Unless prodded continually, we the public tend to slip back into our comfortable rut.

In the case of boxing, this means watching fights on TV secure in the belief that the fight game isn't all crooked, that not all fighters get punchy after a few years, and that very few are killed.

In the case of war, we go back to our defense jobs and profits secure in the belief that none of the little wars being perpetually waged around the world will ever erupt into another big one.

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BIGGEST SNOW JOB

It has been said that both boxing and wars satisfy a primitive psychological craving within us.

I don't know who started this nonsense, but that's what it is. Someone has pulled a gigantic snow job on the human race.

Most of us, I submit, can do without boxing, either as participants or spectators. And anybody who has taken part in a war can do without that, too.

Yet we all sit back on our serene laurels. There's no public outrage. And the major powers put their seconds through the motions at Geneva, unprodiced from their inflexible positions by public opinion.

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BIGGEST ISSUE

War or peace is the biggest issue of our times. But nobody seems to care very much. We blame it all on the Communists and turn to less important matters.

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OLD REFRAIN

Quotes from the AMA:

- Social Security ('39): "step toward totalitarianism."
- National Health Insurance ('49): "step toward socialized medicine."

- Crippled Children's Bill ('53): "socialistic regulation."
- Social Security for Permanently Disabled ('60): "step toward... socialization of medicine."

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

'Phony' offer is spurned by union members

BTC: Childers hits industrial unions on site picketing

Industrial unions came under fire again at last week's Building Trades Council meeting.

J. L. Childers, BTC business representative blamed the failure of important picketing legislation to date on the AFLCIO's Industrial Union Department.

Chairman Adam Clayton Powell of the House Labor and Education Committee won't order hearings on the bill until the IUD and the AFLCIO Building and Construction Trades Department agree on a single version.

And C. J. Haggerty, Building Trades Department president, hasn't been able to get clearance from the IUD on a compromise bill although some progress has been made," Childers told BTC delegates.

The site picketing controversy affects both building trades and industrial unions. But, because of the jurisdictional conflicts between the two, they want different bills.

DAVIS-BACON AMENDMENTS

Reporting on the AFLCIO Building Trades Legislative Conference last month in Washington, D.C., Childers said proposed Davis-Bacon Act Amendments have a much better chance of passage.

Childers urged delegates to write letters to their senators and congressmen, including friendly ones, to fight crippling amendments expected from some Southern Democrats and Republicans.

Another bill given top priority

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Boyich loses; other COPE choices win

Paul R. Boyich, a member of Stationary Engineers 39, was defeated in his bid to remain on the Albany City Council for two more years in Tuesday's election.

Boyich was the only one of five candidates endorsed by the Alameda County AFLCIO Council on Political Education in three cities to lose.

Others endorsed by COPE who were elected were: Mayor Jack D. Maltese and Councilmen Robert J. Taylor and William Swift in San Leandro, and Councilman John K. (Jack) Smith in Hayward. All were incumbents.

COPE made no endorsements in six other cities in Alameda County which voted Tuesday.

UNION BUSTING CHARGE

At Monday night's Central Labor Council meeting, Richard K. Groulx, assistant secretary, charged that the management negotiator was a "turncoat." The negotiator is Ray Vetterlein, a former San Francisco union representative, Groulx said.

Vetterlein, Groulx told CLC delegates, is trying to "break the union" and is telling store owners that he will use his knowledge of the labor movement to do this.

Similar tactics by Vetterlein in recent discount negotiations failed, Groulx pointed out.

On every major contract clause, Groulx said, the proposals made by Vetterlein would weaken the union's present position.

And the latest employer proposals were worse than those made earlier, Groulx told CLC delegates.

Berkeley bonds endorsed

The Central Labor Council voted Monday night to endorse the \$9,55,900 school bond issue on the Berkeley ballot June 5. A dispute with the school department involving printing trades unions was referred to a committee.

The Building Trades Council endorsed the bonds April 3.



A GROUP OF FAMOUS DOCTORS visited President Kennedy recently to urge passage of health care for the aged under Social Security. They received little publicity in most daily newspapers, which apparently prefer to print the American Medical Association's repeated (but unsubstantiated) charges of "socialized medicine." A few of the 27 doctors are shown here with the President: (from left) Dr. Caldwell B. Esselstyn, Hudson, N.Y.; Dr. Alfred Geilhorn, New York City; Dr. Martin Cherasky, New York City, and Dr. Benjamin Spock, Cleveland, Ohio. The group also included two Nobel prize winners, a winner of the AMA's 1959 Distinguished Service Award, and Dr. Phillip Lee of the Palo Alto Clinic and Stanford University.

COPE: Dunn, Miller, Cohelan, Holmdahl

Alameda County's Congressman Jeffery Cohelan (7th District) and George P. Miller (8th District) were unanimously endorsed for re-election by the AFLCIO Council on Political Education last week.

The Ninth Congressional District COPE, consisting of delegates from both Alameda and Santa Clara Counties, met later last week and endorsed Francis Dunn of Oakland Painters 127 for the new congressional seat.

Also endorsed unanimously by COPE were the following:

State Senator John W. Holmdahl.

Assemblyman Carlos Bee (13th District), Robert W. Crown (14th District), Nicholas C. Petris (15th District) and William Byron Rumford (17th District).

Robert L. Hughes, Oakland attorney, for Assembly (16th District).

County Clerk Jack G. Blue.

District Attorney J. F. Coakley.

Undersheriff Frank J. Madigan for Sheriff.

County Surveyor James F. Vivrette.

Tax Collector Edwin Meese Jr.

County Supervisors John D. Murphy (First District) and Leland W. Sweeney (Third District).

Leroy V. Woods, secretary-treasurer of Hayward Culinary 823, for County Supervisor (Second District).

County School Superintendent Rock LaFleche.

Superior Judges Folger Emerson, John Purchio, Lyle E. Cook, Leonard Dieden, Donald K. Quayle and Redmond C. Staats Jr. Municipal Judge Robert L. Bostick for Superior Court Office

MORE on page 7

HOW TO BUY

Phony 'official' documents

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

Of all the horrors perpetrated on financially haggard working people, the official looking documents sent out by bill collectors are perhaps the most terrifying.

Recently a hotel busboy got a punch card form from an outfit calling itself "Current Employment Records" with a return address in Washington, D.C. This looked for all the world like some sort of income tax notice.

It demanded the name and address of the man's new employer and quoted a section of the state unemployment insurance law about making false statements under penalty of \$500 fine and a year's imprisonment.

THE YOUNG WORKER was sure the tax collectors were after him for no reason he could understand.

Fortunately, he took the notice to the shop chairman, who read the notice with care and observed a paragraph at the end in small print.

This said: "The purpose of this card is to obtain information regarding a delinquent debtor and to further advise that this is not connected in any way with any state or the United States government."

An official of this worker's union points out that the document had very cleverly put together the seeming authority of federal and state governments to browbeat the humble or unknowing.

THE FEDERAL Trade Commission has been chasing down bill collecting outfits all over the country which use legal looking or official sounding documents.

But the practice persists. Often it takes the form of a pretense at garnishment. This is especially effective in frightening workers who, in at least some cases, had been misled by sales misrepresentations or excessive charges into unfair and dubious debts, frequently by installment sellers.

For example, the FTC cited a firm — The Carl Co., of Lisbon, Ohio—which supplied deceptive collection forms to collection agencies and creditors. Both in language and appearance these forms gave the impression they were legal documents.

They carried such headings as "Final Notice Before Statutory

Garnishment" and "Final Notice Before Suit" and even displayed an official looking seal.

In a case similar to that of the hotel busboy's, the commission found that a large chain of apparel stores, which operates throughout the East and Midwest, mailed an IBM type punch card to the last known address of delinquent debtors.

THIS CHAIN is the Lewis Apparel Stores.

According to the complaint, Lewis sent out cards with the heading "Eastern Office, Regional Statistical Bureau, Washington, D.C." Recipients were instructed to supply current addresses, names and employers and other information. An agent of the company in Washington then sent the cards back to the home office.

In another case the FTC clamped down on the so-called "United States Association of Credit Bureaus of Oak Forest, Ill., for the use of the name "United States" together with an official looking insignia.

OTHER DECEPTIVE names often used on phony questionnaires addressed to debtors include "Bureau of Verification," "Bureau of Personnel," "Claims Office" and "Employment Re-classification."

The St. Louis Better Business Bureau reports the case of the collection firm calling itself the "National Deposit System." It sent out cards telling the recipients that there was a "sum of money on deposit for you, not in excess of \$100." People who answered sure enough did get checks—for ten cents.

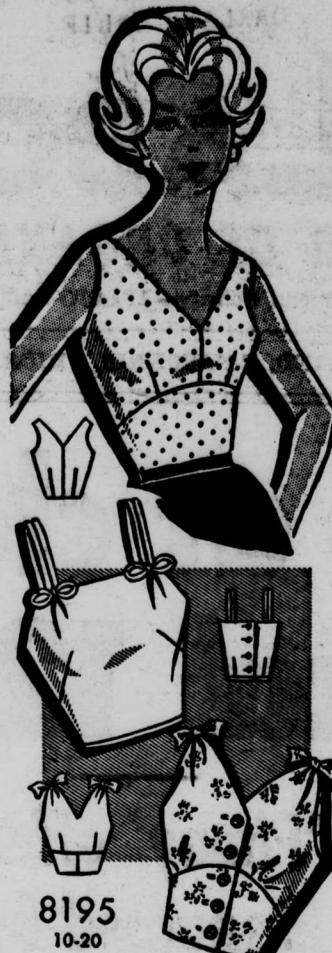
At the urging of New York unions and the Metropolitan Consumer Council, a bill has been introduced in that state which can serve as a model for other state legislatures.

Workers fear their employers will fire them if garnishment is threatened, even when they have a legal defense against a debt. This gives high pressure bill collectors a strong weapon.

But the Spiegel bill would make it unlawful for an employer to discharge an employee against whom a garnishee execution is filed solely because of such filing.

Such state laws, while eliminating one major injustice, still won't solve the problem of other types of deceptively official looking forms sent to debtors.

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Milk hearing

A public hearing will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 19 and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. April 20 in the Concord City Hall on proposals to cut the price of milk in stores in Alameda and Contra Costa counties from 25 to 24½ cents a quart.

Also to be aired is a proposal to end discounts of one cent per quart on purchases of four or more quarts of milk in stores.

Free pamphlet

Single copies of a completely revised edition of the AFLCIO's 24 page pamphlet, "Consumer Beware," are available free from the AFLCIO Department of Publications, 815 16th St., N.W., Washington 6, D.C.

The pamphlet includes state small loan rates, summaries of state laws on installment contracts and true interest rates on various types of loans.

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A way to save at supermarkets

When you buy produce in a grocery store, you don't have to pay for the sack, A. L. Seeley, Contra Costa County sealer of weights and measures, told the East Bay Consumer Information Conference.

Many buyers weigh bulk produce loose, then put it in a sack before they go to the checkstand. If you don't want to pay for an extra ounce or two, Seeley suggested don't put it in a sack. Make the checker do it after he or she weighs the produce.

Dr. Jessie V. Coles, retired U. C. home economics professor, advised that shoppers can save a lot of money if they watch the checkers' scales to catch errors.

State Consumer Counsel Helen E. Nelson said shoppers have a legitimate right to have check-out scales placed so they can read them.

If they aren't, she said, complain to the store manager. And if he won't change the scales, call your county's sealer of weights and measures.

New Co-op for Richmond area

Ground will be broken at 2 p.m. Saturday for a new Co-op Center by the Consumers Cooperative of Berkeley at Old Eastshore highway and Fall Avenue, El Cerrito.

Scheduled for completion by the end of the year, the center will include a supermarket, service station, variety store, prescription pharmacy, coffee bar, laundromat and insurance, banking and credit union offices.

Consumers Cooperative of Berkeley also has two centers in Berkeley and one in Walnut Creek. You don't have to be a member to buy at any of them.

An added gimmick at Saturday's groundbreaking will be a treasure hunt for children 12 and under who bring their own shovels.

Drug bill killed

The Senate Judiciary Committee, graveyard for much important legislation, apparently has killed hopes for action this year on Senator Kefauver's bill to reduce drug prices.

By a 9-2 vote, the committee referred the measure to the Patents Subcommittee, headed by Sen. John McClellan (D-Ark.). Only Kefauver and Sen. Philip Hart (D-Mich.) voted to send the bill to the floor for debate. Voting to bury it were Senators Eastland (D-Miss.), Johnston (D-S.C.), McClellan, Ervin (D-N.C.), Long (D-Mo.), Wiley (R-Wis.), Dirksen (R-Ill.), Hruska (R-Neb.) and Keating (R-N.Y.). — COPE.

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FROM the EDITOR

THE FOLLOWING is an open letter to Assemblyman Bruce Reagan (R-Pasadena):

ASSEMBLYMAN REAGAN:

In an Associated Press story published in the Oakland Tribune April 2, you were quoted as saying that Mrs. Helen E. Nelson, consumer counsel to Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, "spends most of her time going around giving inaccurate information."

I realize this remark was made in connection with a partisan debate — although I must confess I often wonder why the kind of service provided to California citizens by Mrs. Nelson's office should be a matter for partisan bickering.

What bothers me most is your allegation that Mrs. Nelson, in advising consumers has been "giving out inaccurate information."

As editor of this newspaper, I have published many statements by Mrs. Nelson on consumer problems. I have done this in a sincere attempt to help educate the paper's readers in how to spend their union-won wages intelligently.

Recently, I devoted considerable space to reports by Mrs. Nelson and a panel of county, state and federal officials at the East Bay Consumer Information Conference, held in Richmond March 17.

I published this information for the same reason. I considered the conference a valuable educational service and felt that I was helping spread the good word, so to speak.

In view of all this, I would honestly like to know if Mrs. Nelson is actually spreading misinformation. I am sure the readers of this paper would like to know, too.

On the other hand, if you were just trying to stick another political knife into Governor Brown's back — without specific information to back up your charge — I think you owe Mrs. Nelson, Governor Brown and the people of California an apology.

To put it bluntly, I think you should put up or shut up.

PAUL WILLIAMS

Fallout protest by peace group

Members of East Bay Women for Peace are trying to enlist local dairies in their campaign against new U.S. nuclear tests.

If new tests are held, they have threatened to switch temporarily to powdered or canned milk, considered safer from radioactive iodine-131.

The group is distributing letters throughout the area, with coupons for housewives to put in their milk bottles. It is also urging women to write directly to President Kennedy to protest resumption of atmospheric tests.

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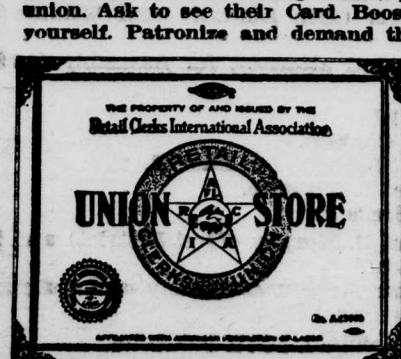
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Local 18 reaches agreement on new bowling alley pact

Lengthy negotiations have finally brought about a three year agreement between Building Service Employees 18 and the East Bay Bowling Proprietors Association.

According to W. Douglas-Geldert, secretary-business representative for Local 18, the new agreement covers some 300 members of Local 18 who work in the 40 bowling alleys in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

Included are alleymen, billiard room attendants, custodians, desk help, instructors, janitors, matrons, mechanics, pin chasers and other operational employees.

The agreement calls for wage increases of 11 cents an hour effective April 1, 1962; 10 cents next year, and 15 cents for the third year of the contract.

DOUBLE TIME PAY

Under a new clause, those covered by the contract will receive double time pay for Labor Day and Christmas. They will continue to receive time and one-half pay for other holidays.

Effective April 1, 1963, two more paid holidays, Washington's Birthday and Memorial Day, will be added.

Those terminated after six months will receive prorated vacation pay. Others will receive prorated vacation pay if they quit after one year.

Most stubborn issue was definition of the duties of pin-chaser. Geldert said a strike could have resulted except for work of negotiators on both sides and other members.

Gov. Brown will talk at conference

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown will address the 51st California Conference on Health, Welfare and Recreation at the Hotel Claremont April 30-May 1.

The governor will speak at the opening general session on "California's Social Welfare Issues and Challenges."

Other featured speakers are scheduled to include: Max Lerner, author and columnist for the New York Post; Dr. Lloyd E. Ohlin, special assistant to Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Abraham Ribicoff, and Dr. William H. Stewart, chief of the Division of Community Health Services of the U.S. Public Health Service.

Arthur R. Heilender, assistant secretary of the Alameda County Central Labor Council, is president of the sponsoring California Association for Health and Welfare. Thirteen other organizations will take part and will hold separate meetings before or during the conference.

Evening classes

Enrollments are still being taken in the following classes at Oakland and Castlemont Evening Schools, Dimond Recreation Center and Joaquin Miller Elementary School: public speaking, general psychology, bookkeeping, cabinet shop, parent-child participation nursery school, managing the home and garden, real estate law, auto shop, English for the foreign born and citizenship.

Call Oakland Evening School, GL 1-5252, or Castlemont Evening School, LO 8-8129.

CLC to support ship differential

The Central Labor Council voted Monday night to support shipbuilding unions and owners in their fight to retain the West Coast differential.

Ray Brennan of Shipyard Laborers 886 told the labor council that a seven month study asked by Senator Warren Magnuson of Washington shows it costs 4.2 per cent more to do shipyard work on the West Coast because of transportation and labor expenses.

Despite this, Brennan told CLC delegates, Congressman William Colmer of Mississippi is leading a fight to end the differential. The CLC will write Senators Engle and Kuchel and Congressmen Miller and Cohelan on its support of the differential.

All four have supported the differential in the past, including a year ago when it missed defeat by one vote.

300 attend UAW-IAM conference in Oakland

More than 300 persons attended a conference on Automation, Union Communication and Political Action last Friday and Saturday at the Leamington Hotel.

The conference was sponsored jointly by the International Association of Machinists and the United Auto Workers.

E. H. VERNON, who retired in January as general business representative for Automotive Machinists 1546, was made a lifetime delegate by the Central Labor Council Monday night.



FRANK (SPEC) ESPINA, right, veteran member of Newspaper, Magazine and Periodical Circulators and Drivers 96, was honored at a recent dinner on his 25th year as a semi-pro baseball manager. Espina, considered the king of California semi-pro managers, won his first championship in 1927. Among the hundreds who have played for 'Spec' since then are, from left, Mel Duezabou (seated), Bill Conroy, Jim Moran and Brooks Holder.

President raises hopes for rapid transit system

Prospects for Bay Area rapid transit appeared brighter this week following President Kennedy's request that Congress authorize \$500 million in grants and low interest loans for matching funds to build such systems.

If approved, the legislation would be of "immense importance" to the region, according to John M. Peirce, general manager of the Bay Area Rapid Transit District.

Both the Alameda and Contra Costa County Central Labor Councils are on record favoring a rapid transit system for the Bay Area.

Daily praises Miller's career employee policy

Congressman George P. Miller (D-8th District), received strong praise from the San Leandro Morning News in an editorial April 5 for his continuing policy of recommending career men for executive posts in government.

Citing Congressman Miller's recommendation that a career San Lorenzo postal employee be appointed acting postmaster of Fremont, the Morning News said such a policy is "one of the greatest contributions toward strengthening of the U. S. Civil Service which has been made by any government official."

This, the newspaper added, is "just one of the many reasons" it is supporting Miller.

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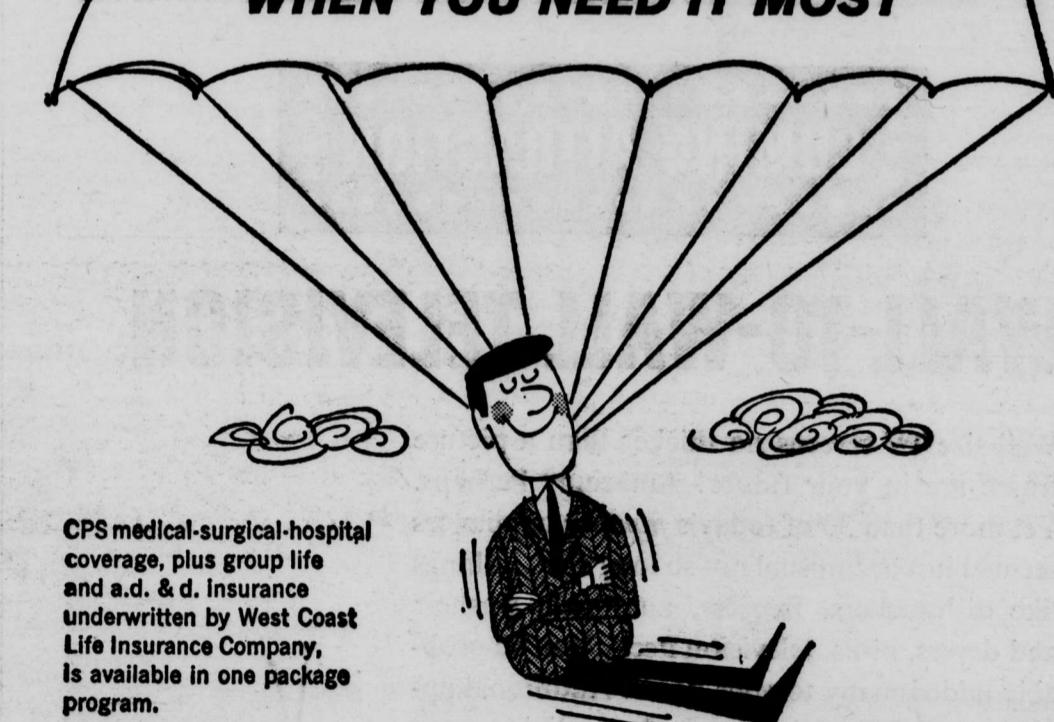
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FEPC smashes job barriers

The State Fair Employment Practices Commission continues its record of smashing racial barriers in various jobs.

In its latest report, FEPC officials cited the following accomplishments:

- A large cafeteria chain hired its first Negro counter girl after conferences, which followed a complaint from a job applicant who was turned down.

- A swank beauty salon took on its first Negro employee in other than menial positions through FEPC efforts.

- Back pay was won for two Negro waitresses refused jobs because of their race.

- A Negro substitute teacher was reinstated.

- A Seventh Day Adventist

who lost his job when he refused transfer to a work shift on his Sabbath was rehired.

- A Negro denied admission to a real estate class was enrolled.

- A Japanese-American was certified to a civil service eligible list after an FEPC investigation showed possible discrimination.

John Anson Ford, FEPC chairman, said 1,491 cases have been filed since the agency was formed in 1959 to correct discrimination in employment on account of race, religious creed, color, national origin or ancestry.

This was one of the factors which brought on the lengthy strike by the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists. Miller recommended the station be directed to bargain in good faith with the AFLCIO union from the point reached before Petersmeyer's reversal of negotiations.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it?

NLRB examiner finds KXTV (Channel 10) guilty

A National Labor Relations Board trial examiner has found Sacramento television station KXTV (Channel 10) guilty of unfair labor practice.

Trial examiner Maurice Miller said KXTV President C. W. Petersmeyer of New York took over negotiating authority in September, 1960, when he withdrew terms offered by the station's collective bargaining representatives.

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\$2,329 for aged study in Berkeley

J. M. Wedemeyer, state director of social welfare, has announced approval of a \$2,329 allocation to the City of Berkeley for a community planning project to provide services for older people.

The funds will go mainly for hiring a project coordinator to make a six month feasibility study of the need and community response for a "drop-in" center for older people in downtown Berkeley.

The state money is being matched locally through the joint efforts of the Berkeley City Council, the Berkeley Community Welfare Commission, the Berkeley Public Health Department and individual contributions.

The allocation stems from a \$150,000 appropriation by the 1961 Legislature under Senate Bill 437 (authored by Senator Fred Farr, D.-Carmel) for a program to provide community services for the aged.

Bay unemployment 5.8%; 63 major areas in U.S. have over 6% jobless

Unemployment in the six Bay Area counties dropped from 6.2 per cent in February to 5.8 per cent in March, due to a pickup in construction and manufacturing.

In March, 1961, unemployment was 7 per cent.

The number of major labor market areas throughout the nation with more than 6 per cent unemployment increased from 62 in February to 63 in March.

There were 33 areas with over 6 per cent joblessness in March, 1960, before the recession began. In March, 1961, there were 101 such areas.

In addition to the major labor areas, there were 293 smaller areas with unemployment exceeding 6 per cent last month.

New CLC delegates

New delegates seated at the March 26 meeting of the Central Labor Council were: Margaret Brown, Postal Clerks 47; Byron R. Bray, State Employees 411; J. B. Collins, East Bay Regional Parks 414; Hersel Davenport, Butchers 526; James Dietrich, Printing Specialties 382; Robert Martin, Operating Engineers 39; Charles Stevenson, Food Clerks 870, and Henry Trask Jr., Rubber Workers 64.

Richards U.N. resolution

Through the efforts of State Senator Richard Richards, Democratic candidate for the U. S. Senate, California became the first state to officially endorse President Kennedy's efforts to save the United Nations by buying \$100,000,000 worth of bonds. The California Senate resolution, authored by Richards, was sent to the President.

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Albany, Hayward concur in CLC's 'basic rights' idea

Two cities have already adopted the Central Labor Council's idea for a "Basic Rights" proclamation.

They are Albany and Hayward. Both city councils have notified Executive Secretary Robert S. Ash of the Labor Council that they have authorized such a proclamation by their mayors.

The labor council, acting on a resolution originally introduced by East Bay Steel Machinists 1304, pointed out that 50 Bay Area mayors recently signed a proclamation for an anti-communism week which "fell by design during the sessions of a privately-sponsored, controversial school conducted in Oakland."

Restating labor's opposition to extremism of either right or left, the resolution suggested the same mayors be asked to proclaim their concern for the "basic rights, civil liberties, equality under law, tolerance, and vigilance, without bigotry" which are bulwarks against totalitarianism.

The resolution also asks school districts to cooperate with the labor council in sponsoring public forums and debates on freedom to combat the hate and fear spread by extremists.

Albany City Clerk Myrtle McLean said the Albany Council authorized Mayor Joe Carlevaro to proclaim the "Defense of Freedom's Institutions and the Vitality of the United States' Bill of Rights."

She said the motion was passed with Councilmen George C. Hein and Joel W. Parker Jr. abstaining from voting.

Labor leaders for Brown

Official sponsors of Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown's re-election bid include several Bay Area labor representatives: Robert S. Ash, executive secretary, Alameda County Central Labor Council; George W. Johns, secretary, San Francisco Labor Council; Arnold Callan, sub-regional director, United Auto Workers, William Milano, secretary, Pittsburg Steelworkers 1040, and president, Contra Costa County Labor Council; and Walter Jones, business agent, San Jose Cannery Workers 679.

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OFFICIAL UNION NOTICES

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The regular meetings of Lodge No. 1546 will be held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the hour of 8 p.m. at our building, located at 10260 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally yours,
DON CROSMAN,
Recording Secretary

BARBERS 134

A special meeting has been called for Monday, April 16, 1962, at the Labor Temple, 23rd and Valdez streets, Oakland, at 1 p.m. All members without reasonable excuse will be fined \$5 for not attending.

Fraternally,
L. O. CHAMORRO,
Secretary-Treasurer

BERKELEY CARPENTERS 1158

Regular meetings held the first and third Mondays of each month at Finnish Brotherhood Hall, 1970 Chestnut Street, Berkeley, Calif.

Fraternally,
NICK J. AFDAMO,
Recording Secretary

UNITED STEELWORKERS 4468

Regular meetings held 2nd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Avenue, Oakland.

Fraternally,
FRANK V. MCINTOSH
Recording Secretary

BUILDING SERVICE 18

OFFICIAL NOTICE

The general election of Local No. 18 will take place on April 13, 1962, at the office of the union, 1628 Webster St., Oakland. The polls will be open from 6 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Fraternally,
W. DOUGLAS GELDERT,
Business Representative

ALAMEDA CARPENTERS 194

Alameda Local 194 meets on the first and third Mondays of each month at 8 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial Building at Walnut and Central in Alameda.

Fraternally,
JOHN GRIGSBY,
Recording Secretary

BERKELEY PAINTERS 40

The meeting of April 13th will be a special call for the election of a vice president.

Fraternally yours,
BEN RASNICK
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 1473

Meets first and third Friday of each month at the Eagles Hall, 1228 36th Ave., Oakland at 8 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
J. W. KIRKMAN,
Recording Secretary

UC EMPLOYEES 371

Our next meeting will be held at Colombo Hall, 5321 Claremont Ave., April 14, 1962.

The Executive Board will meet at 1 p.m. The General Assembly will be at 2 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Please attend Charter Member Nite in place of our regular meeting Thursday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. Executive Board meets 6:30 p.m. It's important to have a good attendance at this meeting.

Fraternally,
DAVE ARCA,
Secretary

AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

This is to advise that the meeting of April 17th will be a special called meeting for the purpose of honoring three members of this local who will receive their Life Memberships at this meeting. It is anticipated that Vice President Satre will be present for this occasion. Further, to receive a report on progress of negotiations with the East Bay Motor Car Dealers and such other business that may come before the meeting. You are urged to attend.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE,
Bus. Rep.

STEELWORKERS 1798

Executive Board meeting Thursday, April 12, 8 p.m., Union Office, Room 208, Labor Temple.

Regular meeting Friday, April 27, 8 p.m., Hall D, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally,
EDWARD SOTO
Recording Secretary

CHEMICAL WORKERS 62

The election of officers and delegates for Local 62, International Chemical Workers Union, will take place at the next regular meeting, Friday, April 13, 1962, at the Steelworkers Hall in Niles, Calif. The regular meeting will be called for 8 p.m. but the hall will be open from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. so that all workers on the 4-12 shift will have an opportunity to vote.

Fraternally yours,
JEROME JACQUES,
Rec. and Corr. Secretary

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Regular meetings of Carpenters are held each Friday at 8 p.m., unless otherwise specified, at the Labor Temple, 1050 Mattox Road, Hayward.

We sincerely urge that you attend meetings as regularly as possible. You as a member should take part in the deliberation of these meetings and aid to form policies that are good for the labor movement as a whole, and for you as an individual.

Stewards' meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, and the last Friday of each month is social night for all.

All problems and/or requests for assistance on vacation, health, and welfare, pension, disability or compensation will be handled in the office of the Business Agent on Tuesdays and Thursdays only from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fraternally,
L. D. (Larry) TWIST
Recording Secretary

S. F. - OAKLAND MAILERS 18

The next regular meeting of San Francisco-Oakland Mailers' Union, No. 18, will be held at California Hall, 625 Polk St., San Francisco, on Sunday afternoon, April 15, 1962 at one o'clock.

Fraternally,
HORACE W. STAFFORD
Secretary

STEAMFITTERS

No. 342

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The next regular meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 19, in Hall G of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland.

Fraternally,

WILEY H. MOUNTJOY
Secretary-Treasurer

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HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

To you a notice that the third Friday of this month falls on the 20th of this month. That is the date of our next meeting.

Fraternally,

ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

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PAINTERS LOCAL 127

ATTENTION MEMBERS

The next meeting of your local will be April 12, 1962. The past few meetings have been very interesting. B. A. Marvin Edwards should have a report on the new agreement and how things are shaping up on this question.

No winner as yet on Payola Night. Brother Jim Sands lost six months' dues by not attending the last meeting, but he does live a few miles from Oakland: Clear Lake Oaks, Calif.

The next Payola Night will be for nine months' dues. Come down. You may win.

Members, you can now collect your 1961 vacation check as of April 1, 1962, if you want it. Sam has the forms in the office if you come in.

Hope to see a few more faces at the next meeting.

The meeting at 8 p.m. April 26 will be a special called meeting. A member of the Alameda County Bar Association will speak and answer questions on legal problems.

Fraternally yours,

EDGAR S. GULBRANSEN,
Recording Secretary

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CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 761 12th Street, Oakland, Calif.

The meeting of April 20, 1962, has been dispensed with as it is Good Friday.

You are again reminded that it is the duty of all citizens to register and vote at all elections. The final date for registration of voters for the primary election is April 12, 1962. If you cannot get registered at the Union Hall, please go to any fire station, and they will register anyone at anytime. If you have moved or failed to vote at the last presidential election, you must register in order to be eligible to vote.

Stewards will meet Thursday at 8 p.m. April 19, 1962, at the above address.

The Educational Committee will meet Wednesday at 8 p.m. April 25, 1962, at the above address.

Fraternally yours,

OSCAR ANDERSON,
Recording Secretary

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PAINT MAKERS 1101

Death Assessment No. 1 is now past due, and those who have not made their contribution will not be eligible for benefits.

Nominations for one trustee for a three year term will be held at the regular meeting May 15 at 8 p.m., Hall A, Labor Temple.

Fraternally,

PETER J. CEREMELLO,
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COPE Labor Day picnic tickets ready

Tickets for the Alameda County AFLCIO Labor Day Picnic, sponsored by COPE, have been printed early this year in response to demands by unions and are ready for delivery.

Arthur R. Hellender, assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council, said they will be delivered within a few days or may be picked up at the CLC office.

Peter J. Ceremello of Paint Makers 1101 announced that COPE needs more Blue Chip and S&H Green Stamps for Labor Day Picnic prizes.

Stamps are being collected to help buy prizes for the Labor Day Picnic. This will leave more money for political activity, he explained. Stamps may be brought to union meetings or the Central Labor Council office in the Labor Temple.

King receives explanation on assessor endorsement

John J. King, former Grand Lodge representative for the International Association of Machinists (AFLCIO) in Oakland, demanded to know at the April 9 Central Labor Council meeting why no COPE endorsement had been made in the county assessor's race.

King, now a CLC delegate from Musicians 6, is a candidate for the assessor's post.

Richard K. Groulx, assistant CLC secretary, said he couldn't speak for other COPE delegates. His main reason for voting to leave the endorsement open, Groulx said, was because COPE money and efforts were needed more in several other races.

Anderson presides

Tom Anderson of Dining Car Cooks and Waiters 456, second vice-president of the Central Labor Council, presided at the April 9 meeting of the council in the absence of Russell Crowell, president, and William Dronhan, first vice-president.

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Barbers 134

By I. O. (AI) CHAMORRO

On Monday, April 16, 1962, our members will meet to discuss, recommend and propose any changes to our Local By-Laws and contract agreement. Elsewhere in this paper you will find meeting announcements.

I am happy to report that the International Auditor, Miss Lilian Moscowitz, met with our Executive Board and Finance Committee and read the complete report on her findings. The same will be read to our members at the next meeting. Her job was very thorough and well done, for which our delay in sending back the members due books. By the end of this week the remaining few will be mailed after the due stamps are posted. Thank you all for your kind consideration in helping me arrange for this audit.

On April 5th the count on the minimum price list signed was 500. In order to be considered by the State Barber Board, it will require over 622 signatures of journeyman barbers within Alameda County. We are urging all our brothers that have not done so to come prepared to the meeting on April 16th with their Barber Certificate number and Barber Shop Certificate number.

You, the barbers in Alameda County, are the only ones that can improve your standard of living. By shortening the price gap between union prices and those of non-union shops, our chances to organize the latter will improve. Perhaps these non-union barbers should meet with us in order to come to an agreement on most, if not all, of their grievances that they may have for not joining with us in a common effort to uphold our American way of life—a richer one, a united one.

Steamfitters Local 342

By JIM MARTIN

Due to the unit coming down ahead of time, the shutdown for Fluor Maintenance at the Associated Oil refinery in Avon, Calif., originally scheduled for April 9th, began on April 3rd. To date we have dispatched some 75 fitters, welders and apprentices for this three week shut down, and it is quite possible that there will be a call for a few more.

The Bechtel Co.'s project, also at Avon, has reached its peak, and it now looks as though the 125 fitters, welders and apprentices will take care of the manpower requirements.

In the near future we should hear something about the starting date for our members to be employed at the General Motors project in Southern Alameda County.

Our next meeting, April 19th, has been designated as a special called meeting for the purpose of acting on the recommendation of the Executive Board and Finance Committee regarding the purchase of new cars. Action on two resolutions will also be taken at this meeting.

In regard to Workmen's Compensation. The purpose of Workmen's Compensation is to pay weekly benefits and guarantee medical, surgical and hospital care to those injured on the job, when their injury or industrial disease resulted from the job. Almost all workers are covered. The law makes it compulsory to be covered, and it also requires your employer to post a notice, naming the insurer. If there is no such notice, call the Workmen's Compensation desk at the Labor Commissioner's office to make sure you are covered, or notify your union representatives.

It is very important that you report any injury when it hap-

pens or at least within 30 days. Do not fail to report even minor accidents as they may develop into serious complications; also failure to report will hurt your case.

Must you go to the insurance doctor? Yes, unless you prefer to pay your own doctor. You are not required to pay the insurance doctor. If you find you are dissatisfied with the insurance doctor, you may write for a change of doctor. The law provides that the employer's insurer must nominate three, within twelve days, one of whom you may choose. However, you get only one such change. If your case requires a consultant you may get one, but only after you have requested one in writing.

Another important item is that you file with the Industrial Accident Commission. Ninety per cent of the injuries are taken care of satisfactorily by the employer and insurer. File with the Industrial Accident Commission only if you run into difficulty in getting your proper care and benefits. If you wish Industrial Accident Commission help, you must file in time. Again, it is most important that you file as soon as possible. If you have received any medical care or benefits, you must file within one year after the last benefit week or doctor's visit. If you miss this deadline, but it is still less than five years from the date of the injury, you may be able to file. However, consult the Business Office of the union or the Industrial Accident Commission before doing so. If you did not get any medical care or benefits, you must file within one year of the date of injury. In next week's article, Series Three, there will be an explanation of your benefits.

Please be sure to check your dues book, and be sure to be in attendance at the next special called meeting on April 19th.

Carpenters Credit Union

By PAUL HEDGINS, Treasurer

We are glad to see other credit unions showing up in the columns of our Labor Journal. We are happy to read of the Barbers' Credit Union and the Steamfitters' Credit Union.

It's wonderful for any group of working people to have a credit union. It's cooperative finance for the members of the group. We are especially happy to see credit unions increasing among AFLCIO unions.

Organized labor has repeatedly given endorsement to the credit union movement during the past 15 years. This is due to rank-and-file opinion and was not always true of labor officials.

It's rank-and-file cooperation, and, in our opinion at least, it should never be directly connected to a union office. Union officials should never know who is saving or who is borrowing.

Credit unions have been killed by being tied to union finances and union dispatching. If the best men are elected to union office, they are not necessarily the best men for credit union office. It's a totally different kind of operation. Credit unions depend to a large extent on volunteer time, unpaid service.

We have local officers on our board and committees, but they come from various locals, and they donate their time to the credit union because as individual men they believe in the credit union. They don't mix credit union business with their union duties.

This credit union includes over 30 local unions affiliated to the United Brotherhood of Carpenters. It has no connection with any local union nor with the United Brotherhood. It is cooperative finance for rank-and-file members, a financial co-op. It's for you.

Chips and Chatter

By GUNNAR (BENNY) BENONY

Ran across this item recently. Sounds interesting.

"Carpenters Business Agent Finds a Friend"

A Business Agent Knocked at the heavenly gate. His face was scarred and old. He stood before the man of Fate. Seeking admission to the fold. "What have you done?"

St. Peter said, "To gain admission here, I've been a Business Agent, Sir, For many and many a year." The Pearly Gates swung open wide,

As St. Peter touched a bell. "Come in and choose your harp," he said, "You've had your share of Hell."

Anonmyous

This past week has been the best for several months. Eighty-five jobs filled with only 185 on the list. The fine weather, combined with several new jobs starting and continued increases in building permits, spells lots more work in the immediate future.

Brother Al Thoman, on the Council Negotiating Board, reported in detail on the forthcoming demands and negotiations last Friday. Details are available from the District Council minutes. Keep yourself informed by attending your meetings.

The Building Committee reported tentative plans for a new building and was authorized to get preliminary prices, suggested elevations and further information to bring back to the local. Much interest and lots of discussion will be needed to arrive at a definite conclusion in the future. Hope you'll take part in this important undertaking. We now have about \$47,000 in the building fund.

Remember to call your business agent immediately if your employer asks you to sign a release for your checks. TW 3-3733.

Carpenter Pete says "office gals with just the right equipment will never be replaced by machinery!"

Are you registered to vote?

Millmen 550

By CLYDE JOHNSON

If you have not registered to vote yet, you should do so right away. You cannot qualify for the primary, but you will be set for the general election.

Bad news travels fast and gets badly twisted in the transmission. Calico laid off 20 men. About 20 are still working. All the journeymen were kept. The industry needs shops like Calico.

Bid peddling was discussed at the State Mill Committee in Fresno last Saturday. I proposed a state law with sharp teeth and an accurate bite be sought in the next session of the Legislature.

In the first place, all building for which a permit is issued and a contractor employed should be submitted for public bid. The lowest responsible bidder of record should get the job.

Now several rotten practices are rampant in California. A firm that has no factory or means of production can bid a job. If they are low bidder they then peddle the work to a manufacturer. Or else they bid for an out-of-state firm that does cheap work. This obvious form of bid peddling should be prohibited.

The Pacific Builder carried an article a few months ago decrying the practice of bid peddling by contractors and builders. We have already asked that cabinets, fixtures, counters, mill-work, etc., be bid separately so the contractor cannot bid the job and then peddle our work afterwards. Sharp operators can

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The Post Office Department has doubled its charge for returning undeliverable copies of the East Bay Labor Journal. The revised regulation covers all second, third and fourth class matter and became effective last month.

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pense is now running twice what it was previously.

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Steamfitters Credit Union

By H. C. MCPHERSON

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The year before Frank Larson joined, he saved less than \$4,000. When John Orr joined, he had been married only 20 years. Early this summer, he will make it 25. This and more could happen to you. Let us tell your story in this column. Next week your own Mort Sahl.

Read all of your Labor Journal.

Governor Brown names Dr. Aller of Berkeley to Social Welfare Board

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown has announced the appointment of Dr. Curtis C. Aller of Berkeley, chairman of the Department of Economics at San Francisco State College, to the State Social Welfare Board.

Dr. Aller will replace Mrs. Bernice Bowman of San Francisco, upon confirmation by the State Senate. Mrs. Bowman resigned.

Dr. Aller was director of the Office of Economic Analysis and director of the Office of Case Analysis with the Wage Stabilization Board in Washington, D. C., from 1950 to 1959.

He has also been assistant to the director of the Institute of Industrial Relations at the University of California and is the author of a number of studies on labor relations. He is a member of the panel of arbitrators of the State Conciliation Service.

Other members of the State Social Welfare Board include Arthur R. Hellender, assistant secretary of the Alameda County Central Labor Council and Dr. Jacobus tenBroek of the University of California.

Bridges writes to AFLCIO unions

By DAVE ARCA

It's Charter Member Night Thursday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. at our Hall, 3637 San Pablo Ave. All members please attend. We are honoring those courageous workers who joined together to form the East Bay Union of Machinists for better working conditions and greater strength when negotiating with the Employer.

To charter members who are wondering about the enclosed card mentioned in your invitation, we forgot to include it. So, if you'll phone the union office, Olympic 4-2660, we'd appreciate knowing whether you can attend, and if you need transportation. Okay? Thank you.

Other than that, if you're not registered to vote for the June primaries, it's too late. You'll have another opportunity before the November elections. There is much at stake in these elections. As a citizen you should be interested.

The State AFLCIO also hit the ILWU's request for support of its boycott against Colgate-Palmolive Co. in Berkeley, in view of the alleged raiding.

Bridges said the Chemical Workers started the inter-union dispute by claiming work which, he said, traditionally belonged to the ILWU in the L.A. harbor area.

The ILWU then started organizing workers in the Chemical Workers' jurisdiction, according to Bridges.

Unions are urged to invest funds in Bonds for Israel

Unions were urged to invest pension, strike, retirement and other funds in Bonds for Israel this week.

Leo Bernstein, national field director of Bonds for Israel, said a new issue will be redeemable at any time. Bernstein spoke before the Central Labor Council Monday night.

Citing the fact that the State of Israel was literally created by the labor movement, Histadrut, Bernstein said the tiny bastion of democracy in the Middle East is also the most highly organized nation in the world.

Labor fought for the right to live in Israel even before it became a nation, and the government is now chiefly in the hands of proud union card holders, Bernstein said.

By investing in Israel's future, Bernstein said, unions will be acting in accord with the highest traditions of the labor movement.

He said individual unions will be contacted by Bay Area representatives of Bonds for Israel.

Arthur R. Hellender, assistant CLC secretary, announced a meeting of the council's Community Services Committee will be held at 7 p.m. Monday to discuss the Bonds for Israel program.

Be sure hall your union leases is under contract

If your local leases a hall or club, be sure it is one which has signed a union contract.

This plea was made by Joe Canale of Bartenders 52, speaking as a representative of the Local Joint Executive Board of Culinary and Bartenders Unions.

Canale told the Central Labor Council the board is conducting a drive to sign union contracts with organizations which lease their facilities for meetings and social functions. He asked cooperation of other labor organizations in the drive.

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BTC: industrial unions hit for holding up site picketing bill

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at the legislative conference was the Anderson-King Bill for health care for the aged under Social Security. It has a good chance of passage if two more votes can be obtained in the Rules Committee, Childers said.

If the committee tries to bottle it up, other House members may circulate a petition to bring it to a floor vote, in which case passage is expected.

MORE PICKETING IN '62

Reporting on local matters, Business Representative Childers said the council has done more picketing in the first three months of 1962 than in any comparable period in the last five or six years.

A large number of other firms have been placed on the council's "We Do Not Patronize List," Childers said, for failure to answer requests to appear before the BTC Executive Board.

Childers said he was unable to explain the upsurge in non-union contractors.

'RED CIRCLE' BILL

Childers reported that a bill to abolish the so-called "red circle" pay rate for building tradesmen working for the state and other government agencies has been referred to an interim committee of the State Legislature.

This will give unions a chance to present their case against the rate, 15-25 per cent lower than private industry pay scales, in preparation for the 1963 session of the Legislature, Childers said.

Marvin Edwards of Painters 127 reported on a new opinion by State Attorney General Stanley Mosk on job retraining under the 1961 amendment to the State Unemployment Insurance Code.

The Painters were unsure whether the new program covers workers seeking to upgrade their skills within their own craft, Edwards said.

The opinion, obtained by State Senator John W. Holmdahl of Alameda County and written by Deputy Attorney General Walter J. Wiesner, says it does.

But, Edwards added, workers can qualify only if reasonable employment opportunities do not exist for their present skills, and if there are opportunities for the new skills for which they seek training.

Cases will be judged individually by the Department of Employment, the Attorney General's ruling said.

APPRENTICESHIP COURSES

Les Williams of Carpenters 1622 reported on trouble he has had persuading Hayward Union High School District officials that vocational programs should be restored and that better training should be offered.

He said one high school principal has asked for labor speakers to state their case before school groups, and Williams requested help from delegates.

Jack Archibald of Millmen's 550 said the district has reversed its position and has decided to keep its vocational classes.

COPE: it's Murphy, Sweeney, Woods, Madigan in county vote

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No. 1. George W. Phillips, Hayward attorney for Superior Court Office No. 2.

Oakland Municipal Judges Robert Kroninger and Lionel J. Wilson.

OTHER RACES

COPE delegates voted to leave endorsements for County Assessor and County Auditor open, the latter by unanimous vote.

They made no endorsements for Municipal Court Offices No. 3 and 4.

STATE OFFICES

For statewide offices, Alameda County COPE recommended State COPE endorsement for re-election of:

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown.

Lt. Gov. Glenn M. Anderson.

Attorney General Stanley Mosk.

State Controller Alan Cranston.

State Treasurer Bert A. Betts.

Board of Equalization Member John W. Lynch (Second District).

No recommendations were made for Secretary of State, State Superintendent of Public Instruction or U. S. Senate.

The State COPE endorsing convention was scheduled this Wednesday in San Francisco. Its endorsements will be printed in next week's East Bay Labor Journal.



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Bay Carpenters vote aid to Local 1149 in strike against Chris Craft Corp.

The Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters has voted financial aid to help Shipwrights, Joiners and Boatbuilders 1149 fight strikebreaking tactics by Chris Craft Corp. at its Hayward plant.

Management is still recruiting non-union workers to go through picket lines, according to Stan Lore, Local 1149 president.

Classified advertisements for strikebreakers have appeared in the Hayward Daily Review. But the company isn't having much luck getting persons to work behind picket lines for \$1.75 an hour.

Lore said production has ground to a virtual halt.

McElheney heads 7th C.D. Council

John McElheney of Berkeley was elected president of the 7th Congressional District Democratic Council at its last general meeting.

Frank A. Brown Jr. of Berkeley and Richard Smith of Oakland were elected vice presidents. Rodney Larson of Oakland was elected secretary, and Olga Lewis of Berkeley, treasurer.

The council includes Democratic clubs in the district which are affiliated with the California Democratic Council or the California Federation of Young Democrats. Officers are elected by delegates from the various clubs.

Weidner endorsed by C.C. Co. COPE

Charles R. Weidner has been endorsed for Congress in the 14th District by the Contra Costa County AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education.

Harold Mutnick, who was turned down by Contra Costa County Democratic clubs, failed to show up at the COPE interviews, according to Hugh Caudel, secretary.

Also endorsed were three incumbent members of the State Legislature from Contra Costa County: State Senator George Miller Jr. and Assemblymen Jerome Walde and John Knox.

For county offices, Contra Costa COPE recommended Emmett Hitchcock for treasurer-tax collector; Elwin Fred Wanaka for assessor, and the following incumbents: Supervisors James Kenney and Thomas Coll; District Attorney John Nejedly; County Clerk Walter Paesch, and Auditor-Controller Howard McNamer.

Brown to attend breakfast for unionists on May 10

Governor Edmund G. (Pat) Brown will be the guest of honor at a labor breakfast in Oakland May 10.

The breakfast will be held at Goodman's Jack London Hall and will be open to any union member, according to Robert S. Ash, executive secretary of the Central Labor Council.

Purpose of the breakfast will be to let as many union members as possible meet the governor. No speeches are planned.

For reservations, call the Central Labor Council, HI 4-6516.

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Segregated schools and democracy--here, that is

Do Oakland and Berkeley schools practice racial segregation, as the general counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People charged in the Bay Area last week?

We think a fair appraisal of the situation would show the following:

- Many schools, especially on the elementary level, have a preponderance of either Negroes or whites. In a few schools, nearly all the students are of one race or the other.
- In a large part, this is due to housing segregation. And part of the blame for this should be placed upon real estate brokers and salesmen—not our schools.
- There are many ways to draw school district boundaries without "gerrymandering."

• American society is becoming increasingly integrated. Our children will be better citizens if they grow up learning to live together without prejudice. This will make our communities and our nation strong, not divided. And it will promote equality of opportunity, regardless of the color of one's skin. Schools should be crucibles of democracy.

With this in mind, school trustees should conduct fair and public hearings on this matter. And, wherever they can, they should change school boundaries to promote — rather than hinder — racial integration.

Court suits aren't the answer. And we feel that shipping children in buses from one school to another isn't the answer. These devices would create more racial bitterness than they would erase.

The labor movement is pledged to helping break down racial barriers. Unions could do a great service to their communities by assuming positions of leadership in this project.

Bumbling Dick

Mapping plans for a political comeback via Sacramento, Ex-Vice President Richard M. Nixon decided characteristically to build up his own "image" by running down his opponent's.

Hence, a rash of "bumbling Brown" propaganda appeared in the daily press.

But the smear failed to stirck. "Pat" Brown is the best governor the state has had in many years. He has demonstrated beyond a doubt that he is an outstanding administrator whose program to better the lot of the majority of Californians is founded upon a sound fiscal platform.

Meanwhile, "Tricky Dick" has gotten stuck with the bumbling image himself.

First, Nixon called President Kennedy a "carpetbagger" for coming to California to give a non-political Charter Day speech at the University of California. This was Bumble No. 1.

Then he said this wasn't really what he meant. He said he really meant the President's relatives. Bumble No. 2.

Next Nixon's book on the "Six Crises" in his life came out. Nixon—or his ghost writer—said President Kennedy knew about plans for the Cuban invasion before the election. This turned out to be untrue. Bumble No. 3.

Finally, a furor arose over a statement in the book concerning the Woodstock typewriter of Alger Hiss, whose case started Nixon on his rise to the political big time.

Confronted with the FBI's statement that Nixon, or his ghost writer ("researcher," he said) was in error, Nixon bumbled into retreat a fourth time.

This is the man who wants to be Governor of California.

Government intervention

The trend toward more government control in labor-management relations disturbs us.

Owners have been the leaders against government meddling with prices. Now some of them apparently want the government to put the heat on every time a major union bargains with employers on a nationwide basis. In the case of West Coast shipowners, owners have even asked for compulsory government arbitration.

Despite our basic enthusiasm for the Kennedy Administration, we feel its eagerness to tamper with traditional American collective bargaining should be watched closely.

Finally, why was the Steelworkers' pact forged under the threat of government intervention three months before the old one expired? And why, despite increases in fringe benefits and job security, were there no cash raises at a time of record living costs and higher productivity?



ACLU: 'DEFENDER OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS'

• The American Civil Liberties Union is a non-partisan, non-profit organization.

• It has defended Democrats, Republicans, Socialists, Communists, Trotskyites, vegetarians and members of the John Birch Society.

• It accepts cases of persons whose civil liberties have been violated, regardless of their ability to pay—and regardless of whether or not their beliefs coincide with those of ACLU officials.

These are some of the facts about an often misunderstood organization, founded 42 years ago and devoted to the protection of basic liberties guaranteed under the Bill of Rights.

They were summarized in a talk before Central Labor Council delegates and other union members last week by Ernest Besig, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California.

SACCO-VANZETTI, HAGUE

The ACLU, Besig said, sponsored the defense in the famous Scopes evolution trial in the '20's. It was active in the Sacco-Vanzetti case, and it challenged Boss Hague in Jersey City.

More recently, the ACLU played an important role in opposing relocation of Japanese-Americans during World War II and intervened on behalf of American "Nazi" George Lincoln Rockwell.

It has defended Americans, visitors and immigrants against unconstitutional actions by U.S. customs officials, and has defended the right of labor to organize, Besig said.

"Politics is . . . unrelated to our defense of civil liberties," Besig emphasized. "We defend the right of free speech of those with whom we agree and those with whom we disagree."

Besig added that he "cannot see a middle ground where you take away just a little freedom of speech" of someone you consider dangerous. Any such action endangers the basic rights of all American citizens, he said.

'NOT KNOWLAND'

"The ACLU's friends include the San Francisco Chronicle and Hearst's Examiner but not Knowland's Tribune," Besig said.

Though ACLU detractors have accused it of being a tool for Communists on some occasions, it has never been on the U. S. Attorney General's list of "front" organizations.

And it has never been accused by the House Un-American Activities Committee, Besig said.

Former State Senator Jack

Tenney once accused the ACLU of being "a transmission belt" for Communism. But Tenney's successor, State Senator Hugh Burns of Fresno, conceded that the ACLU is "clean" in a recent report, Besig pointed out.

FILM SHOWN

Besig spoke following showing of the film, "Operation Correction," produced by the Northern California ACLU for the purpose of refuting the House Un-American Activities Committee's "Operation Abolition."

"Operation Abolition" is designed to prove that student demonstrators were Communists when the HUAC held hearings in San Francisco in May, 1960.

But the HUAC's film shows how newsreel shots were cleverly arranged out of sequence and erroneous commentary added to convey this impression falsely.

Program chairman for the meeting was Art Goldman of Teachers 771.

Tricky Dick

Richard Nixon's attacks on the lunatic fringe John Birch Society, though commendable, do not erase the memory of the Birchite smear tactics of his own political career. In 1946, when he first ran for Congress, he implied that a vote for his opponent would be a vote for Communist principles. In 1950, running for the Senate, he issued a phony "pink sheet" against his opponent, Helen Gahagan Douglas, ruining her public career. In 1952, Nixon stated publicly that Adlai Stevenson had "gone down the line for the arch-traitor of his generation," referring to Alger Hiss. In 1954, he echoed Joe McCarthy's "treason" charges against the Democrats. — COPE.

On the other hand, you sound optimistic on the results of the "Retraining Bill." If you are one of those who attended the Governor's Conference on Unemployment and Automation last year at the Del Webb Motel, you may remember the deception suffered by the labor leaders in attendance, due to the unpractical developments involved in the program, meaning: union jurisdiction, seniority, education and the fact that this bill is aimed to ease the unemployment due to automation only.

OPINIONS

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ALBANY CAMPAIGN LETTER CRITICIZED

Editor, Labor Journal:

Mr. Tripodi's letter in your March 30th edition is in extremely bad taste and even worse grammar. It does not speak well of his union or himself to call his own local's article stupid and/or ignorant. His abuse of Carl MacWilliams, a staunch union man long before Mr. Tripodi even knew the meaning of the word, is completely uncalled for. As far as his letter clarifying anything, it is a complete failure.

Before taking out nomination papers, Mr. Tripodi called on Carl MacWilliams to support him in the election. Mr. MacWilliams agreed to give him support, both financial and otherwise, if it appeared he had any chance of winning. Mr. Tripodi agreed and said his final decision to run would depend on Mr. MacWilliams' findings. After talking with many people in Albany, Mr. MacWilliams regretfully told Mr. Tripodi support for him was completely lacking. His best bet was to work for another candidate and possibly accept a position on a city commission to gain more experience and develop support for the next election. Mr. Tripodi refused to accept this judgment, which has since proved correct. On the day his letter was published in the East Bay Labor Journal, Mr. Tripodi withdrew from the race.

Mr. Tripodi's incoherent ramblings about the Albany Democratic Club and the Republican Assembly have little bearing on the case. As he points out, they are taking no active position in this non-partisan race. However, I'm told Mr. Tripodi should know full well of labor's foes in the Republican party since only a short time ago Mr. Tripodi was a registered Republican. Evidently the Albany Betterment League (ABLE) was not so anti-labor, Republican or flag waving as he falsely charges when he was seeking their support.

If Mr. Tripodi had taken their sound advice some months ago, he would not be in such a "sour grapes" position today. His rantings only discredit himself in the eyes of union members in Albany, both those in the Albany Betterment League and those at large.

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JOB PROBLEMS

Editor, Labor Journal:

Coming from the Executive Council of the AFLCIO, the "very timid" approach of the Kennedy Administration mentioned in your editorial of March 16, 1962, sounds very interesting, not because of the one half million unemployed people, which is about one per cent higher than during the previous Administration, but rather because of the deception of the "New Frontier."

On the other hand, you sound optimistic on the results of the "Retraining Bill." If you are one of those who attended the Governor's Conference on Unemployment and Automation last year at the Del Webb Motel, you may remember the deception suffered by the labor leaders in attendance, due to the unpractical developments involved in the program, meaning: union jurisdiction, seniority, education and the fact that this bill is aimed to ease the unemployment due to automation only.

In any case, as the old saying goes: Don't blame me, I did not vote for Mr. Kennedy.

DAN ARTEAGA,